

London Advertiser. TWO EDITIONS DAILY - WEEKLY. TELEPHONE CALLS. Business Office 127. Editorial Department 134. Job Department 178. LONDON THURSDAY JAN. 21.

Pairing Refused.

The Ontario Opposition has decided to abolish the pairing custom for the present session. This custom dates almost back to the dawn of the party system, and is an unwritten law of parliamentary practice. The Ontario Opposition attempted to dispense with it last session, but after a two weeks' trial, returned to it gladly. There are many ways in which each party can convenience the other, and, per contra, each can inconvenience the other if it is so disposed. If the Opposition chooses to break off all courtesies, the Ministerialists will have plenty of opportunity to repay it in kind. The game is one that two can play at. The resort to it by the Opposition is of a piece with its desperate tactics. It means to carry on a guerilla warfare during the session and incommode, if it cannot defeat, the Liberal contingent. The illness of two or three Liberal members would be hailed with joy. The supporters of the Government will have to be in constant attendance, while any number of the Opposition members may absent themselves from the House. Of course, every Liberal member will take good care to be with in hearing of the division bell, and the Opposition will profit nothing by such picaresque business, unless it is some satisfaction to inflict personal annoyance on opponents.

The Liberals in the House are loyal and united, and the tactics of the Opposition will only stimulate their enthusiasm. The Government with a majority of three is as good a position to carry its programme through the House as if it had a majority of twenty. The private convenience of the members will suffer by the small-minded strategy of the Opposition, but public business will not be affected.

The Railway Commission.

The personnel of the new Canadian railway commission is of great importance to every interest in the country. It is a radical experiment, and its value will depend mainly upon the caliber of the men who are to administer the new law and arbitrate between the railway corporations and the public. The appointment of Dr. Mills, president of the Ontario Agricultural College, as one of the three members of the commission has been received with great satisfaction in this Province. Dr. Mills will be a special sense the representative of the farming community. His administration of the Ontario Agricultural College has been a brilliant success, and has made his name known beyond the confines of the Dominion. Dr. Mills has not been a pedagogic recluse, out has kept himself in active touch with the agricultural interests of the country, and has had exceptional opportunities to know their needs and requirements. The farmers of the Dominion may feel that in him they have a friend at court, one who is peculiarly qualified to weigh any grievances they may have in regard to railway transportation, and who will bring to his duties a trained and impartial mind. The appointment was unsought by Dr. Mills and came to him on his personal merits. It is gratifying to know that the qualities which have helped to make the Ontario Agricultural College the best in the world will be still devoted to the public service of this country. The other members of the commission will be Hon. Mr. Blair and Hon. Mr. Bernier. Mr. Blair was a great minister of railways, and drafted the legislation creating the commission, defining its powers and duties. He has never been subservient to corporation influences and has displayed remarkable independence of character. His administrative post gave him a large acquaintance with railway problems, which he has recently improved by a study of conditions in the United States, as a special commissioner from this country. Mr. Blair has also an unexcelled knowledge of railway law. Mr. Bernier is a man of thorough and methodical business habits and has been an efficient minister of inland revenue. He has always taken a practical interest in agriculture.

The Snow Bylaw.

The importance of a snow bylaw has been sufficiently impressed on people this winter. Twice within the past week or ten days early pedestrians have had to wade through snow up to their knees because of neglect of duty on somebody's part. The board of works cannot evade a share of the blame. It is responsible for the enforcement of the bylaw, and should have provided against a recurrence of the hardship which the public suffered some days ago. This morning the snow plows in the majority of districts came out after most people had gone to the office, the store and the workshop, and even after many of the children had set out for school. It was positive cruelty to hundreds of women and girls to force them to tramp through such drifts, and many may contract colds as a result of the snow melting on their garments. The present snow bylaw, even if property enforced, does not go far enough. It is an excellent thing to have the sidewalks passable the morning after a snowfall, but whenever a thaw sets in people have to trudge ankle deep in slush, and when a freeze follows a thaw the sidewalks are a danger to limb and life. A bylaw requiring householders to remove the

snow within 24 hours after a fall would be inconvenient for the individual, but he would be compensated by clean walks in every portion of the city. This system prevails in Toronto and Hamilton, and works well. In case of neglect the snow is removed by the city and the cost charged against the property. The occupant who is disabled from clearing his own walk may always find a small boy to do it for a trifling consideration. A combination of the present snowplow and the hand shovel would be a good system. The snowplow would make a path for the early pedestrian, and the citizen could employ his shovel later on in the day. But this winter the city has had neither the plow nor the shovel when they were most needed.

Mr. Hyman is not a man to advertise himself, but he is getting a good deal of flattering notice in the Canadian press.

The announcement that Ontario's surplus has increased to \$3,500,000 will make the Opposition hungry than ever.

Economy is an excellent civic virtue but it might be practiced in a more useful direction than stinting the outlay on snowplowing.

Mr. H. W. Lucy, the British journalist, says that Canada is Chamberlain to the core. Mr. Lucy spent about two weeks in this country. If Lucy had lingered longer he might not have been so positive.

Birmingham has called Gamey into North Oxford and his first speech will be in the Liberal stronghold of West Zorra. "They may take Canada," said a sturdy Zorra man at the time of the Trent affair, "but they'll not tak Zorra."

The Hamilton Times is glad to hear that Mr. Hyman may enter the Cabinet. Says our contemporary: "He is a man who stands high in the estimation of his constituents, a good parliamentarian, an excellent business man, and his services to Liberalism entitle him to that mark of distinction. And we hope soon to see him holding an important portfolio."

Mr. James J. Hill, of the Great Northern Railway, has qualified his strictures on the Canadian wheat belt. In a recent address to the Minnesota Agricultural Society he said:

"People are selling their homes in the United States and moving out into Northwestern Canada, west of Winnipeg, where they can buy land at from \$5 to \$10 an acre. More people have gone there than many of our people would like to acknowledge. They have a large area of country. A couple of months ago, at Blomberg, I made a statement in regard to their country, and was to some extent misquoted, and I will take occasion to correct it. They have an area north of us equal, practically, to that of the United States. Only a comparatively small portion of that can be cultivated with profit. They probably have an area three times that of Minnesota, where they can cultivate the land with profit, and they raise good crops. North of that it is too near the north pole."

If Mr. Hill keeps on qualifying he may arrive somewhere near the truth.

THEY LIVE IN CELLARS.

The heavy floods in St. Petersburg recently drove to the surface 250,000 people who prey upon the tolerance of householders by living in their cellars. The return to underground lodgings of the army of ill-nourished persons has added enormously to a death rate which was already much larger than that of any other Christian capital. It is part of an unvarnished code that a lady or gentleman should not know where cellars, garrets, laundry rooms or servants' quarters are, and a genuine St. Petersburg householder never does another year's end to another. Mrs. McCormick, the wife of the American ambassador, after she and Mr. McCormick had moved into the palace they now occupy in St. Petersburg, became conscious of singular smells. The fragrance of stale herrings, onions, boiling cabbage, and other odors came from those who lived in the cellars. Lived in the cellars! How could that be? To the horror of the servants, she insisted on going to the cellars, where she actually found 68 permanent dwellers. She called in a policeman, and had them all turned out.

REMEMBER AND FORGET

Remember all that time has brought. The story goes on high. The strength attained, the courage gained. The love that cannot die. Forget the bitter brooding thought. The word too harshly said. The living blame; love hates to name. The frailties of the dead.

ANTI-KISSING CHUSADE.

The National Anti-Osculation Society is waging a bitter and relentless crusade against the most cherished institution we have. Prohibitory clubs are springing up and agitating its abolition. Membership is rapidly increasing, and people of conceded intelligence and prominence are being enrolled from the Atlantic to the Pacific. The certificate of membership in the Anti-Osculation Society binds you to forego, renounce and abjure forever all pleasure, gratification or enjoyment to be derived from the use and practice of osculation, commonly known as kissing.

THE WAR OF THE LETTERS.

The consonants and vowels. Once had a bitter fight. And when they joined in battle. Kept at it day and night. The consonants were Russians. The vowels were Japanese. The names of their commanders. Were spelled somewhat like these: Pfffrankmckvett! Oelua!

HER REAL TROUBLE.

"I hope," said Mrs. Oldstead, "that you didn't feel that you were dropping when you called the other day and found Mrs. Beezoo present?" "Oh, no," replied her hostess. "That was just the back of my waist that I

THE PRIMA DONNA.

Miss Howjames (at the opera) hasn't she a marvelous voice! Mr. Cabot says she doesn't seem to know how to manage it gracefully. She gives it a sort of kick when she turns around.

SOMETHING LEFT UNDONE.

Labor with what seal we will, something still remains undone; something uncompleted still; waits the rising of the sun.

By the bedside, on the stair, at the threshold, near the gates, with its menace or its prayer, like a mendicant it waits;

Waits, and will not go away; waits, and will not be galsaid; by the door, yesterday, today, each today is heavier made;

'Till at length the burden seems Greater than our strength can bear— Heavy as the weight of dreams, Pressing us down as we sleep.

NO REHEARSALS.

"Our new minister always speaks extempore. He never prepares a sermon in advance." "I see, he doesn't practice what he preaches."

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE.

Marris—What is biology? Gladys—I suppose it's the science of shopping.

MISSED A TREAT.

"Did you see the Dardanelles while you were in Europe?" "No," answered Mr. Cumrox. "You see, we were so busy sightseeing that we didn't have time to call on any of our friends."

A GOOD MAN.

It seems to be the general impression that Captain Laurier, in choosing Charles Hyman as spare man on his team, has picked a man who will stand against the time some of the present scrimmage drop out.

AN INCORRIGIBLE YOUTH

Arrested for Abusing a Boy Five Years Old.

The Offender Only Ten But Has a Bad Record.

A case of an unusual character was heard by the police magistrate this morning in the juvenile court. The offender, who was only ten years of age, and was charged with abusing a boy five years of age, but was under the supervision of the inspector of the Children's Aid Society for the past two years, and on more than one occasion has been in the police court. His offenses were varied in character, and included the most serious charge of placing in destruction on the C. P. R. tracks and derailing a freight train. When brought for trial on that charge he was fined \$100, and was sent to the reformatory for the same offense. He was also charged with the offense of placing in destruction on the C. P. R. tracks and derailing a freight train. When brought for trial on that charge he was fined \$100, and was sent to the reformatory for the same offense.

GRANDFATHER ROSEBERY

A Son Born to Lady Sibyl, His Eldest Daughter.

New York, Jan. 21.—Lord Rosebery, who is one of the best known members of the English peerage in this country, which he frequently visited prior to his marriage, and who possesses a wider acquaintance in the United States than any other English cabinet minister past or present, has just become a grandfather. The first time through the birth of a son to his eldest daughter, Lady Sibyl, who last year married Captain Charles Grant, of the Coldstream Guards, son of Gen. Sir Robert Grant, G. C. B., Lady Sibyl's younger sister, Lady Margaret, has already been married for nearly five years to the Earl of Crewe, but has no children, although her husband has several. Her first wife, who was a sister of the present Duchess of Montrose. Lord Rosebery's wife, as a well-known lady, was the daughter of Meyer de Rothschild, the richest of the Rothschild heiresses, and it is on record that when the earl's stepfather, the last Duke of Cleveland, a grand seigneur of the old school, was congratulated on Lord Rosebery's engagement, and was asked if he had already met his future daughter-in-law, he remarked that he had not yet had the pleasure; that he did not know her family, but that he believed they were "something in the city."

LADY GREVILLE MARRIED

The King Sends Diamond and Ruby Brooch With Autograph Note.

London, Jan. 21.—Lady Marjorie Greville, daughter of the Earl and Countess of Warwick, and Viscountess Helmsley, heir-apparent of the Earl of Faversham, were married at Warwick Tuesday afternoon. The ceremony, which was held in the presence of the presence of a church full of prominent people. The Bishop of Oxford officiated.

COVAL.

London, Jan. 21.—The annual congregational meeting of Chalmers' Church, Dundas street, was held on Thursday, Jan. 14, when the different reports were presented for adoption. The reports were found to be in a very satisfactory condition, the total amount of contributions being \$170, while the total debt now remaining of the new church is only \$40, which, with the amount of contributions, will be paid in full. The success of the congregation is due to the untiring energy and zeal of the pastor, Rev. J. Lawrence, and the people showed their appreciation of his services by a substantial increase of salary. Meetings of the West Elgin Farmers'

CHARGED WITH STEALING

Mr. Tucker, of Napanee, Has His Companion Arrested.

Says Frank Chaplin, of Chatham, Took It.—Evidence Misty.

A case of circumstantial evidence was before Magistrate Love this morning at the Carling street court, when Mr. Tucker, of Napanee, was charged with stealing. The complainant was a man named Tucker, who gave his present address as Napanee, and his home as the Bermudas. When he awoke this morning he reported the loss of his money and was summoned to court to tell what his relations were with the prisoner, who had been arrested the night before.

Tucker's recollection was coming from Port Stanley, where he had been visiting, to London, and of meeting Chaplin, who had been arrested, but he did not remember whether he had got off at St. Thomas or not and could not remember whether he and his companion were in any place before they called at the Tecumseh House at a late hour in the night. All he knew was that when he left Port Stanley he had between \$25 and \$28, and when he got up in the morning he had but \$4.

The acting crown attorney severely cross-questioned the prisoner as to his reasons for leaving Chatham, and as to his subsequent actions, but the prisoner claimed he was entirely innocent. In addition to the witnesses mentioned above, Mr. George Black also gave testimony, and was asked to identify the station to see if Tucker's things were there, and of handing him over to the police. The police had searched him and found that he had a large amount of the prisoner showed another ten cents that he had missed, so that all he had was fifteen cents.

The charge of stealing was therefore not strong, except circumstantial, but the magistrate thought best to inquire into Chaplin's reputation in Chatham, and remanded him until Monday.

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ST. MARYS.

St. Marys, Jan. 21.—The new board of water and light commissioners held their first sitting on Friday evening. Chairmen of the board were Messrs. H. Resor, superintendent of the power house, was read, and was met every Friday evening. The price for live hogs on the local market is \$4.75 per 100 pounds.

CLANDEBOYE.

Clandeboye, Jan. 21.—The morning train which arrived here at 3 a.m., did not get here until 6 p.m. on Tuesday. Mrs. James Cunningham died suddenly on Tuesday morning. Her funeral took place this (Thursday) afternoon from her late residence. Mr. Cunningham and family have the sympathy of the surrounding neighborhood.

COMPLICATED TROUBLES

Wesson, Que., Jan. 18.—That numerous diseases are caused by disordered Kidneys and easily cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills has been proved by Dame. I fell a victim to several Kidney ailments," says Dame Moreau. "The most severe was Heart Disease, but I suffered from Backache, Bladder Trouble and Rheumatism. I took different medicines, but nothing did me any good until I tried Dodd's Kidney Pills. Three boxes of them made me feel like a young woman. I feel no pain and am so well that in my advanced age I do all my own work. I say that Dodd's Kidney Pills are good for all Kidney Diseases."

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When a man sneezes heartily he may know himself to be healthy. No person in poor health ever sneezes," says the eminent doctor, Sir Jonathan Hutchinson. This statement will be challenged by those familiar with the plague, who know that hearty sneezing is its first symptom. Everyone knows that a series of sneezes comes in the first stage of catching cold, and that the hay fever victim sneezes to his great discomfort. A MEDICINE FOR THE MINER'S PACK.—Prospectors and others going into the mining regions, where doctors are few and drug stores not at all, should provide themselves with a supply of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. It will offset the effects of exposure, reduce sprains, and when taken internally, will prevent and cure colds and sore throat, and as a lubricant will keep the muscles in good condition.

Christians Smith, of Harper's Ferry, is one of the oldest of the veteran railroad men of the United States. He is 91 years old. In 1832 he entered the employ of the Baltimore and Ohio and remained with it through all the grades of fireman, engineer, mechanic, conductor, supervisor, trainmaster, dispatcher, ticket agent and passenger agent, well up into the days of the modern railroad.

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